



# Advanced Telescope and Observatories Capability Roadmap Overview

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# Charter/Definition Statement

- Assess the technical readiness of the nation in the area of Advanced Telescopes and Observatories to achieve NASA's priority long-range goals (over the period 2005 – 2035) and assist in developing a technology strategy to meet these goals.
- Consider technologies necessary to enable future telescopes and observatories collecting all electromagnetic bands, ranging from x-rays to millimeter waves, and including gravity-waves.
- Prioritize activities to be consistent with the current and developing Space Missions Directorate (SMD) science roadmaps. The Committee will consider all technologies associated with the collection and combination of observable signals.
- The Committee will not consider technologies associated with the detection, conversion, or processing of observed signals into data. These technologies are the responsibility of the Scientific Instruments and Sensors Roadmap Committee take priority.



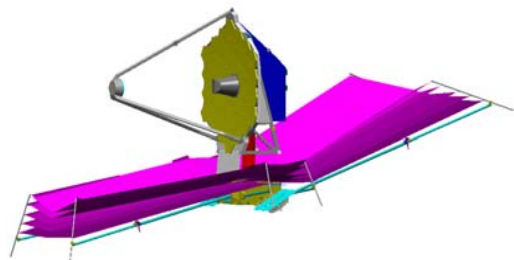
# Strategic Dependencies

- The ATO committee will coordinate its activities with four primary APIO Strategic Committees:
  - #4 Advanced telescope searches for Earth-like planets and habitable environments (Search for Origins)
  - #8 Explore the origin, evolution, structure and destiny of the Universe (SEU)
  - #9 Determine how living Earth system is affected by internal dynamics, and understand implications for life (Earth Science)
  - #10 Explore Sun-Earth system to understand effects on Earth and implication for human exploration (SEC)



# ATO Technology Applications

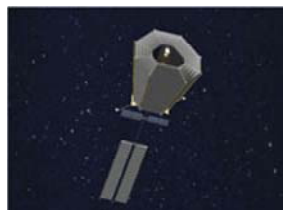
Advanced Telescope and Observatory Technology covered by this area are key to enabling and enhancing several near and far term missions. A few examples:



James Webb Space Telescope:  
NIR Probe of early Universe



SIM: Astrometry



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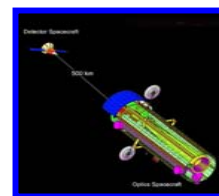
Constellation X:  
X-ray Spectroscopy



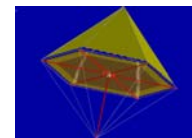
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SAFIR: FIR



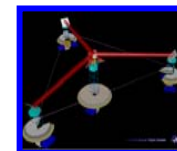
MAXIM:  
Black Hole Probe



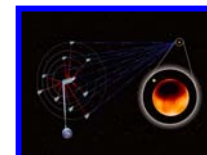
30-m Geo SAR for  
earthquake detection



Terrestrial Planet Imager:  
First images of planets



SPECS: FIR  
Interferometer  
Stellar Imager  
Interferometer



**30 Years:**  
Imaging Interferometry  
Formation Flying  
Space Assembly  
Large Structures

**Current Technology (0-5 Years):**  
Deployed Lightweight Optics  
Wavefront Sensing and Control  
Precision Metrology/Interferometry

**5-15 Years:**  
Deformable Mirrors  
Precision Optics  
Coolers  
Initial formation flying



## Advanced Telescope and Observatory Capability Roadmap Panel

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|---------------------|------------------------|--------------|
| • Chair             | Dr. Lee Feinberg       | NASA GSFC    |
| • Co-Chair          | Dr. Howard MacEwen     | SRS/NRO      |
| • APIO Coordinator  | Dr. Dan Coulter        | JPL          |
| • Integration Coord | Dr. H. Philip Stahl    | NASA MSFC    |
| • Space Sciences    | Dr. James Breckinridge | JPL/HQ       |
| • Earth Sciences    | Dr. David Tratt        | GSFC/ESTO/HQ |
| • Other Govt.       | Dr. Peter Jones        | AFRL         |

### Academic:

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| • Dr. David Miller | MIT               |
| • Dr. James Fienup | Univ of Rochester |
| • Dr. Dan Inman    | Va Tech           |
| • Dr. James Burge  | Univ of Arizona   |

### Industry:

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| • Dr. James Crocker  | LMCO                 |
| • Dr. Ronald Polidan | NGST                 |
| • Dr. Mark Stier     | Goodrich             |
| • Dr. Doug Neam      | Ball Aerospace       |
| • Dr. Gary Matthews  | ITT (formerly Kodak) |



# ATO Technology Areas

- Optics
- Wavefront Sensing and Control/Interferometry
- Thermal and Cryogenic Management
- Formation Flying/Platforms
- Large Structures/Deployables
- Infrastructure

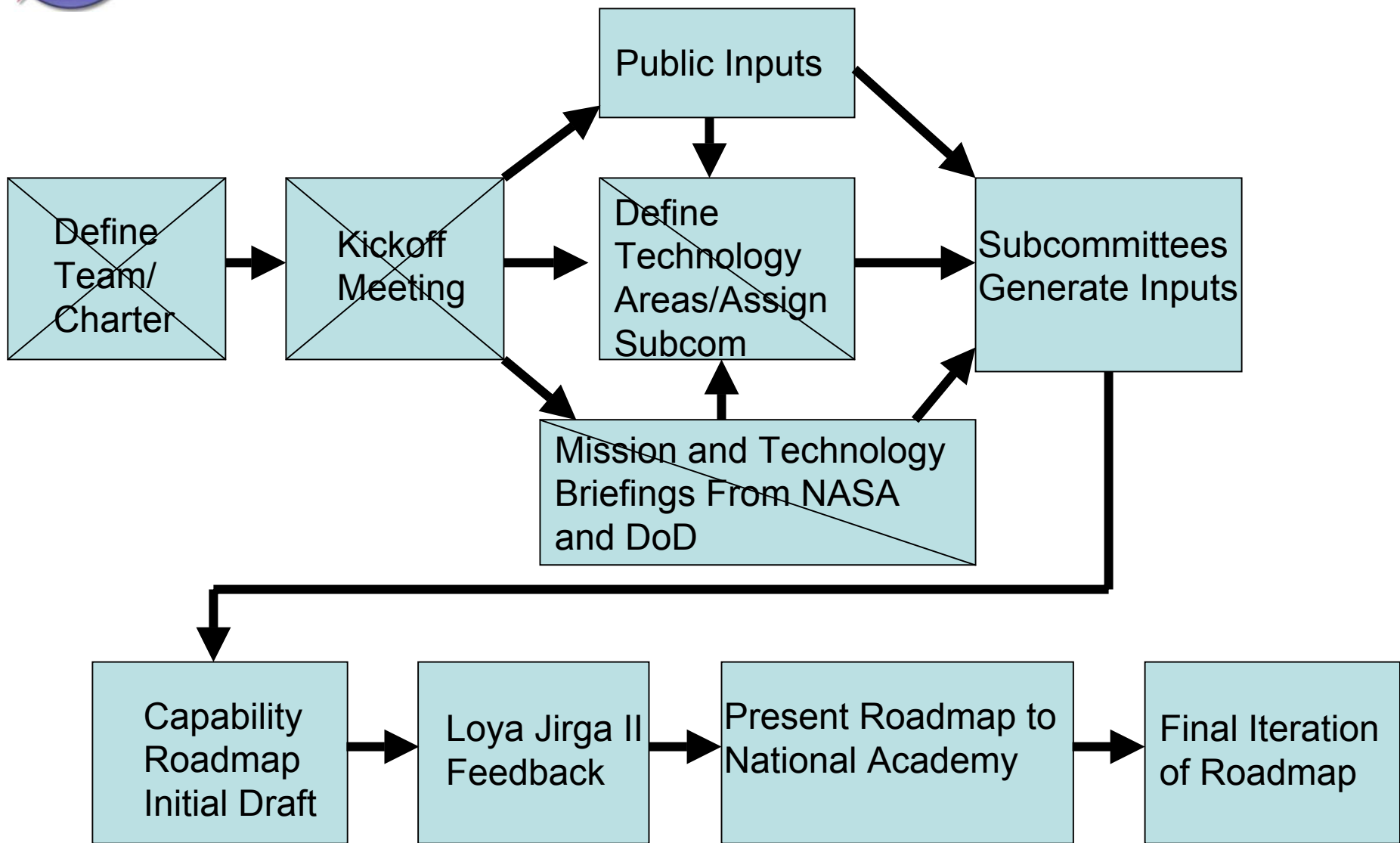


# Example of Further Breakdown

- Infrastructure
  - Test Facilities
    - Hardware and facilities for integration and test on the ground
    - Capabilities for reliable system integration and test in space (overlaps with system modeling.)
  - Work force
  - System modeling tools
  - On-orbit observatory support



# Committee Process







# Status

- Team had kickoff meeting at JPL in November
- Meeting Planned at GSFC Dec 1+2
- Future meeting planned at Albuquerque (in January)
- Final Draft Roadmap Meeting Planned in Boulder (before Loya Jirga II)
- Team has broken into subcommittees for each technology area
  - Subcommittees have begun telecons and meetings
  - Public white-papers have been forwarded to the subcommittees
- Team has reviewed previous NASA roadmapping activities (CRAI, Code S, etc.)



## White Papers Submitted to ATO

- Received 22 Advanced Telescope Whitepapers
  - 16 from industry and academia, 6 from NASA
- Invited 10 talks (based on who was attending)



# Agenda

- 9:30-10 Current Status of Roadmap and Related Information, Lee Feinberg, NASA Co-Chair for Advanced Telescopes and Observatories

10-10:15 Process for Public Input Explained, Dan Coulter, APIO Coordinator

10:15-11:45 Non-government presentations, 20 minutes each

Cash

Ferguson

Hines (to be presented by Alan Duncan - secondary author)

Jura

11:45-1:00 Lunch

1:00-2:20 Complete non-government presentations, 20 minutes each

Kendrick

Plotkin

Stachnik

2:20-2:30 Break or contingency time

2:30-4:00 Government presentations (15 minutes each)

Batchelor (to be presented by Jan Hollis secondary author)

Bly

Dipirro

Krizmanic

Ohl

Swanson

4:00-4:15 Wrap up of Parallel Sessions: Open Discussion and Q+A